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RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
VERDA SHIPPING INC.,

Plaintiff,

-against-

EMCO SHIPPING,

Defendant.

Pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and to enable judges and magistrates of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned attorney of record for Plaintiff, VERDA SHIPPING INC., certifies that there are no corporate parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates of this party which are publicly held.

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